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From: Wood, John
Sent: Sun 8/16/2015 8:27:30 PM
Subject: Re: Afternoon Update on Gold King Mine

Matt,
Great update. Glad to hear about Morningstar. Look forward to the call tomorrow. Thanks for keeping us up to date.
John

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From: Fritz, Matthew [mailto:Fritz.Matthew@epa.gov]
Sent: Sunday, August 16, 2015 03:57 PM
To: Wood, John
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Good afternoon John,

Here is the latest on the situation in Colorado and New Mexico:

No restrictions (recreation/drinking water) in place for the Animas River Colorado.
No restrictions (recreation/drinking water) for the San Juan River in New Mexico (this means the Morningstar situation has been resolved) up to the Navajo Nation area near Shiprock. We expect the restrictions to be lifted tomorrow - they are awaiting additional sample results.
Irrigation canals have been flushed and opened on both rivers.

People are definitely back on the river.

At the mine site - improvements continue with the treatment system - an additional impoundment is being constructed and the treatment system enhanced.

Initiating a long-term watershed monitoring effort for both rivers - it will be ready to move forward early next week.

The independent review of the activities at the mine site that led to the release will be announced on Monday.

The situation report should be out soon.

Matt